REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

1. In the above referenced Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 17-18 under 35 USC § 102 (e) as being anticipated by Jiang et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,711,710). Claims 17-18 have been cancelled without prejudice to the subject matter contained therein. The applicants respectfully request reconsideration and the allowability of claims 1-16 and 19-28.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the allowance of claims 1-16 and 19-28. The rejected claims 17-18 have been cancelled without prejudice. For the foregoing reasons, the applicants respectfully request that claims 1-16 and 19-28 be passed to allowance.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone or facsimile if the Examiner believes that such a communication would advance the prosecution of the present invention.

A petition for a three month extension of time is concurrently filed herewith, extending the period of response to August 18, 2005. This response is timely filed.

No additional fee is due. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that are required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.50-1835.

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